

SUBMITTED BY: Luis Pedroza, Deputy City Manager

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: Ana Urquijo, City Manager

FOCUS AREA: Other / NA

**ORGANIZATIONAL
IMPROVEMENTS:**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 26-1734**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the **EXECUTION** of an **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT** between the City of Douglas and **COCHISE COUNTY HEALTH** and **SOCIAL SERVICES** Department Regarding the **DISBURSEMENT** of **OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS**.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As a result of a lawsuit involving pharmaceutical manufacturers, distributors and pharmacy chains, a settlement was reached with states, local governments and Native American tribes. The settlement constitutes financial payment to these entities including the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Cochise County Cities and many other entities across the nation. The Cochise County Cities are partnering with the Cochise County Health and Social Services Department to pool funds for funding programs that provide a greater benefit to Cochise County residents.

BACKGROUND:

Under the One Arizona Distribution Agreement that pools the funds for the County, all cities will join their funds for the purpose of health services and initiatives that will support treatment and issues that result from the opioid crisis. The city was allocated \$261,318.16 and in total with County all Cochise County cities pooling funds represents a total for Cochise County residents of \$3,096,186.49.

The IGA represents a 5-year agreement that will allow the pooling of funds to be used through the County Health Department. All cities came together receiving input from local health officials, and public safety officials that recommended the pooling of funds for a higher and greater impact towards the opioid epidemic.

DISCUSSION:

Staff recommend that approval of the IGA between the city and Cochise County Health Department for the Disbursement of Opioid Settlement Funds and utilizing the One Arizona Distribution Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

Fiscal Year: 2025/2026

Amount Requested:

Budgeted: Y / N

Account (s):

“...I MOVE THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 26-1734.”